Dear Entrepreneur/Business Owner,

I am pleased to invite you to the upcoming Minority Small Business Roundtable with Governor Daniel J. McKee.

This event will be held on Monday June 22nd, 2022, from 5:00 to 7:30 PM at Cranston Senior Center located at 1070 Cranston Street, Cranston, RI 02920 and it will be hosted by the City of Cranston Economic Development, Diversity & Inclusion Department.

This Minority Small Business Roundtable will give Governor McKee an opportunity to discuss with the Minority Small Business Community about several policies and measures aimed at improving the local Small Business Ecosystem such as:

- The Minority Small Business Support Initiative
- Efforts to provide better and fairer Access to Capital
- Education
- Workforce & Talent Development
- Improving Business Assistance to Small Businesses
- Creating an Equitable Economy. The McKee Administration is working hard to eliminate the current disparities and barriers that have persisted for Small Business Owners in historically disadvantaged groups and marginalized communities.
- Improving the Procurement Process & Enforcement of the Procurement Laws.

Under the guidance of Governor Daniel McKee along with Lt. Governor Sabina Matos, a well-though out vision for RI has been captured in the RI 2030 Plan to, among other things, transform our State into a far better and more equitable place for Minority Businesses & Entrepreneurs to live, work, invest and grow.

Let's come together and work together to make it happen for everyone's benefit.

This event is FREE!

To register for this event, use the Eventbrite Link below or call **(401) 780-3166** Eventbrite LINK:

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/minority-small-business-roundtable-with-governor-daniel-j-mckee-tickets-359538187397

Best regards,

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